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Method and Apparatus for Dynamic Retention of System Area Network **Management Information in Non-Volatile Store**

Enclosed are also:

<u>X</u> 36 Pages of Specification including an Abstract

Pages of Claims 8

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